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In re application of: Haugland et al.

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Labeling Immobilized Proteins with

Dipyrrometheneboron Difluoride Dyes

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Docket No. MP0073.RCE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application.

X **Preliminary Amendment**

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due at this time; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the Deposit Account 13-3900 for any fees due in connection with the filing of this document. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.115 this Preliminary Amendment is hereby being submitted on or before the mail date of the first office action under § 1.104, following the submission of the RCE. The RCE papers were submitted February 22, 2005.

Applicants wish to amend the pending claims.

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